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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: SHOOTING OF MILITIA

REF: A) VIENTIANE 6104 (NOTAL)

B) VIENTIANE 6112 (NOTAL)

1. THE NEWSPAPER "NEW VIENTIANE" (FORMERLY VIENTIANE POST) OF NOVEMBER 1 REPORTS ON THE INCIDENT REFERRED TO BY A FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL IN PARA 3 OF REF A. ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER, AT 2340 ON OCTOBER 30 MILITAMEN MANNING A ROAD BLOCK AT THE INTERSECTION OF THAT LUANG AND GONGSISANGVONE STREETS IN VIENTIANE TRIED TO STOP A WHITE TOYOTA PICKUP TRUCK. THE VEHICLE WAS OCCUPIED BY A MAN AND A WOMAN. IT DID NOT STOP AND THE WOMAN FIRED ON THE MILITIAMEN HITTING TWO OF THEM. ONE WAS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED. THE VEHICLE FLED THE SCENE AND ITS
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OCCUPANTS HAVE NOT YET BEEN DISCOVERED.

2. COMMENT: THE SHOOTERS ARE DESCRIBED BY "NEW VIENTIANE" AS "REACTIONARIES," THOUGH HOW THE NATURE OF THEIR POLITICAL VIEWS WAS ASCERTAINED WAS NOT EXPLAINED. THIS SHOOTING AND THE RECENT BOMBING OF THE LAO NATIONAL BANK ARE THE FIRST ACTIONS WHICH COULD BE DESCRIBED AS VIOLENT RESISTANCE TO THE COMMUNIST TAKEOVER THAT, TO OUR KNOWLEDGE, HAVE OCCURED IN VIENTIANE. THEY MAY, OF COURSE, HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY ENTIRELY DIFFERENT MOTIVES. NEVERTHELESS, THE COMMUNISTS ARE DESCRIBING THEM AS POLITICALLY MOTIVATED AND SECURITY FORCES, ON THE EVE OF THE TWO WEEK LONG THAT LUANG FESTIVAL, ARE BOTH UBIQUITOUS AND ALERT.

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